

Crime Control and Public Safety is developing a statewide interoperable voice communication system so that law enforcement officers, firefighters and paramedics can communicate with each other on the same radio frequencies.

The State Emergency Response Commission has selected the development of interoperable voice communications systems for first responders as a priority for the 2004 U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant funds. Since 2002, North Carolina has received more than \$112 million in federal funds for emergency responders to buy equipment and pay for training and exercises.

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